

# The Social World

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## HOLD BIRTHDAY FETE

Members of Keystone Woman's Club celebrated their 24th birthday as a club last Wednesday noon with a turkey dinner held at the clubhouse. The group will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 11, at the clubhouse. A 12 noon luncheon will precede the business session.

## KNEES NEED CARE!



**BEAUTYWISE COED** . . . Most women know the value of a cream or lotion in keeping their hands soft and lovely, but too many too often overlook equally vulnerable spots—knees, ankles, and elbows. Miss Eva Clemens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Clemens, 1511 W. 25th St., Harbor City, demonstrates what should be a nightly ritual with all women, young and old—the application of cream onto knees, ankles, and elbows to help prevent the chapping, unsightly dryness, and roughness caused by winter cold and wind. One of the candidates for Miss Torrance, 1952, this 18-year-old who is a senior at Narbonne High School, has learned that such systematic care will pay off in beauty dividends. She plans to make her high school education pay off too by continuing her studies at Harbor Junior College next fall. Her objective is a secretarial career.

## Council PTA Sends Books To German, Philippine Kids

On their way to West Germany and the Philippine Islands are two sets of children's books sent through CARE by Torrance Council PTA.

Announcement of the project was made last Tuesday at the

## Elementary PTA Names Committees

Mrs. H. E. Carr, president, and Mrs. R. E. Moffitt, selected at last Thursday's meeting, will be the Council committee for Torrance Elementary PTA.

Also formed at the Thursday session were a life membership committee, composed of Mesdames Moffitt, M. W. Tappin, and Lloyd Davis; and a nominating group, composed of Mesdames William Coburn, James Shidler, Tappin, and Gordon S. Jones.

Appointments followed a program presented by each grade level at the school. Fourth grade room mothers, headed by Mrs. W. W. Hamilton, served refreshments during the social hour.

first 1953 session of the executive board, held in the Board of Education office with Mrs. Victor Benard, president, presiding.

Mrs. M. B. Millar was elected by the board to serve as first vice-president for the remainder of the Council year following the resignation of Mrs. Ralph McBee. As one of her last official acts, Mrs. McBee informed the board that incorporation plans for all units in the Council are complete.

Also elected were Mesdames A. C. Turner and Kenneth Ruffell, who, together with one member from each unit, will nominate new Council officers.

A letter of thanks from the Torrance Dental Health Association thanking the Council for its aid in making the dental program an active, growing project completed board business.

The next executive session will be an open meeting at the First Christian Church on Feb. 17 at 9:45 a.m. An 11:30 a.m. luncheon will follow. Program for the day will highlight a panel discussion on international relations presented by students of Pepperdine College.

## Fern Ave.-Greenwood PTA To Fete Founders Feb. 11

Fern Ave.-Greenwood PTA will celebrate Founders Day on Wednesday, Feb. 11, rather than Thursday, Feb. 5 as announced in the bulletin. Mrs. C. S. Connors, program chairman for the event, told members at the January session.

The awarding of an honorary life membership will feature the celebration, Mrs. Connors said. These working to select a candidate for the award are Mesdames A. K. Crauszer, chairman; J. L. Hinds, Arthur R. Thistle, and George W. Simons, Jr.

"Character and Personality Building" keyed the January meeting. Dr. Lyle Tussing, instructor of psychology at El Camino College, presented the theme. Dr. Tussing, who was introduced by A. N. Posner, administrative assistant of Torrance Unified School District, is a resident of this city and has served on the college faculty since its founding.

Eight students from Miss Cathryn Chisholm's eighth grade participated in a panel discussion, answering the question, "How can you help to make home a happier place not only for your parents, but for your friends and your parents' friends?"

The group decided that parents and children should work and play together in a spirit of give and take.

Panel members chosen by their classmates were Frances Stone, Lauren McGuire, Joyce Wilson, Lydia Gomez, John Jones, Richard Bentwood, Billy La Duke and Jay Talbot.

Also included on the afternoon agenda were the appointment of Mesdames C. La Vern Jones and J. B. Miles to serve as co-chairmen of the March of Mothers and the election of Mrs. John L. Hinds to serve on the nominating committee for officers of Torrance Council PTA.

## Walteria PTA Slates By-Laws Shake-up Soon

Changes in the by-laws are on the 1953 agenda for Walteria PTA.

At last week's Thursday meeting, Mrs. Bruce Howey, president, named Mesdames Carl Kramer, C. A. Johnson and Glenn Karhu to make a survey of the existing laws and prescribe any necessary changes.

Also appointed by Mrs. Howey was a committee of four to select the candidate for an honorary life membership award, to be presented at the Feb. 5 Founders' Day Program. Chosen as chairman of the committee was Cletus Nestlerode, who will be assisted by Mesdames Evar Jansson, E. B. Pfau, and Joseph Pene.

Following the business session, George Powell told members about the organization of the Torrance Dental Association and its plans for the future. He illustrated his talk with a film, "Save Those Teeth."



**MARCH OF DIMES** . . . Little Ernie Kosher, one of the first people to participate in yesterday's March of Dimes campaign, conducted by the Junior Woman's Club, adds his dime to the roll of adding machine tape held by club members, Mesdames R. R. Dexter, left, and Robert Mowry, right. Mrs. Clara Con-

ner, city chairman of the drive, third from left, and George Post, treasurer, third from right, survey the project while Mrs. Glen Robinson, Jimmy Gates, and Robert Haggard, left to right, await their turn.

## Foreign Students Tell PTA About Life in Their Lands

Foreign exchange students attending Pepperdine College told members of Torrance High School PTA about "Family Life Around the World" at last Tuesday's session, held in the library room at the school.

William Stivers, professor of languages at the college, presented the panel members:

Miss Kay Takayama of Japan; Iraj Fakrieh of Iran, and Harro Buchhol of Frankfurt, Germany.

Miss Takayama, dressed in her native garb, gave a comparison of feminine fashion trends in her country before and after the war. She said that many Japanese were now adopting western wearing apparel and were rapidly assuming American standards of living.

Miss Takayama also sang one of her native melodies.

Fakrieh also spoke of the western influence in the lives of his countrymen. Many of the upper class people now are eating with silverware, seated at tables on occasion, he revealed. However, he pointed out, they

## Halldale PTA To Name Two Life Members

Three members of Halldale Ave. PTA are now at work selecting candidates for the two life memberships to be awarded by the PTA this year.

The women, appointed by Mrs. C. C. De Vore, president, at last week's Thursday meeting, are Mesdames William McAllister, chairman; John Andrade, and O. E. Robinson.

Highlight of the session was a talk on child nutrition and health presented by Mrs. Francis Wood of the Health Center. Following her talk, Mrs. Wilma Claar's 5-A, 6-B class entertained with songs from the Gay Nineties era.

## Juniors Canvass City For March of Dimes

Armed with rolls of scotch and adding machine tape, about 20 members of the Junior Woman's Club circled the town yesterday in a campaign to add to the March of Dimes Fund.

Under the direction of Mrs. Clara Conner, chairman of the Torrance drive, and Mrs. L. G. Jones, club chairman, the women solicited contributions from downtown shoppers and taped the money on adding machine paper to make a rope of money on sidewalks throughout the city.

The project was planned at last Wednesday's meeting, held at the Clubhouse, 1422 Engracia Ave. Junior women also aided the March of Dimes by addressing 1500 envelopes and contributing \$10 from the club treasury for the fund.

Mrs. Jones, chairman, was assisted with the envelopes by Mesdames Lester King, H. M. Huzling, Robert Mowry, George Blahnik, Donald L. Hitchcock, and Frances McBreen.

Juniors also voted to attend a cooking school at a local furniture store on Feb. 5 as a ways and means project. Mrs. C. W. Lackey is chairman.

Next meeting of the club will be an initiation dinner on Jan. 28 at the clubhouse.

Following Wednesday's session, refreshments were served by Mesdames Robert Stewart, Mowry, James Halle, Phil Hoffman, and N. Stuckey.

## CIRCLES SET MEETS

Members of Circle Six, Women's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church will meet next Tuesday morning at the home of Mrs. Ivan Brown, 1021 Maple St. Session will begin at 10:30 o'clock.

Also on next week's agenda is the second meeting of the Missionary Study Group, to be held Thursday morning from 9:30 to 11:30 o'clock. The women are currently making a survey of mission work in Africa.

## SENIOR CLUB SETS STYLE SHOW DATE

Annual fashion show presented by the Torrance Woman's Club will be held this year at 8 p. m. Tuesday, Mar. 17, at the Civic Auditorium, Mrs. Paul Vonderah, publicity chairman, revealed this week.

The show will highlight styles from Levy's Department Store. Mrs. E. L. Snodgrass, federation chairman and general chairman for the event, will outline further plans and name committees at next Wednesday's meeting, to be held at 1:30 p. m. at the clubhouse following a 12:30 p. m. informal luncheon.

Mrs. Raymond Rogers Sr., ways and means chairman, is assisting her with arrangements.

Club members also will discuss what they can do to support the new Assembly bill which would impose stiffer sentences on those selling narcotics to minors.

Program highlight of the afternoon will be the tale of a trip through Africa, presented by Miss Elsie Farris, a Long Beach attorney. Miss Farris is well known for her work, both here and abroad, in assisting young people to get an education.

## PERRY PTA HIGHLIGHTS FIRST JANUARY MEET WITH NEW RESOLUTIONS

A drawing of New Year's resolutions leading to more active participation in PTA work highlighted last Thursday's brunch, held by the Perry PTA at the school auditorium.

The 45 in attendance picked resolutions from blue and gold bowls centering quartet tables. Chrysanthemums, lilies of the valley, fern, and ivy completed table decor.

Following the brunch, kindergarten students of Mrs. Hanlon presented several dances and skits. Also featured on the program was Dr. Arthur Berke, who discussed dental care for five, six, and seven-year-old children.

During a short business meeting, Mesdames A. McKenzie, M. Garrity, and W. A. Wright were elected to form a nominating committee which will select officers for 1953.

## Baptist Group Presents Play

A play with White Cross as the theme highlighted last Thursday's meeting of the Women's Baptist Missionary Society of the local First Baptist Church, held at the church.

Appearing in the show were Mesdames E. W. Holczlaw, C. C. Cash, and Joe Waterman.

Mrs. Holczlaw, assisted by Mrs. Meade Ferguson, was in charge of program arrangements.

Following the play, a potluck luncheon was served at noon, with members of the Friendship Circle acting as hostesses.

## NATIVITY MOTHERS PLAN PAPER DRIVE

Nativity Mothers' Club completed plans Tuesday evening for a paper, rag, and grease drive to be held next Wednesday, Jan. 21, on the Nativity School grounds.

Plans also were made for a Valentine dance, slated for Feb. 14 at the Moose Hall. Tickets for the ball will soon be on sale, according to Mrs. Ann Colton, publicity chairman.

Following the business session, the group viewed a film of the Sister Kenny Polio Hospital, "That More Walk Again."

Mrs. Garrity, together with Mesdames B. Bowen and E. Meglen, also is serving on a committee to select the two candidates to receive honorary life memberships this year. Presentation of the awards will be made at the Founders Day fete, slated for Feb. 19.



**BRUNCH SCENE** . . . Serving brunch to the public last Friday morning at the First Methodist Church were members of the hospitality committee of Torrance High School PTA. Left to right, they were Mesdames Hugh Bowman, J. E. Popovich, G.

C. Van Deventer, Evar Jansson, chairman; I. O. Kasten, president; and Sam Neely. Proceeds of the affair will go toward purchasing an honorary life membership.